To

R. E. SPEER, D. D.,

SECRETARY,

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,

OF THE

Presbyterian Church in U. S. A.,

156 Fifth Avenue,

NEW YORK.

From

The Staff and 779 Students of the

Rang Mahal mission High School Lahore.

PUNJAB (India).

SCHOOL MOTTO:—

KNOWLEDGE, CHARACTER AND SERVICE.

SIR,

We the staff and students of the Rang Mahal Mission High School Lahore, beg to offer you our heartiest welcome on this occasion of your visit this school as Secretary for foreign Missions.

This is the first institution in the Western Punjab that owes its existence to missionary enterprise, and with pioneering instinct with which it was brought into being it has done poineering work in educating the uneducated people of this province. The great grandfathers of the present generation owed their education exclusively to the Rang Mahal School; and Rang Mahal is still the alma mater of a vast majority of the people of the town. It has among its alumni, great men like the Right Hon'ble Mian Mohommed Shafi C.I.E., Education member of the Government of India, the late Justice Shah Din Chief Justice of the High Court, Punjab, and numerous other personages of dignity and honour, of whom we are no less proud than they are of us.

The school has been working its way upward ever since it was founded in 1849; and in 1912, when Rev. W. J. McKee was the principal it expanded, so that the building had to be remodelled and the present structure is after Rev. McKee's design. Very recently it has progressed by leaps and bounds, necessitating further expansion, to which end acquision of land has been effected by Rev. T. B. Llewllyn and Mr. K. L. Rallia Ram, M. L. C., and construction of another wing is contemplated.

As at present staffed the school has 39 teachers of whom 19 are christians and the rest non christians.

Modern methods of teaching in vogue in foreign Universities have been introduced and in the infant class, we work on the lines of the Montessori system in addition to the Kindergarten system already in vogue. The Direct Method of Teaching English finds favour with our staff and there are teachers among us who have specialised in this new method, so that the Inspacting officers have pronounced them to be the best teachers of English in the Province

There are 779 boys, of whom 35 are Christians. Under the present management the school has distinguished itself as one of the premier schools of the province. It has been showing excellent results all along. The matriculation results have ranged between 71 and 84 per cent. and last year in spite of disastrous results in English all the province over, we beat all records passing 84 per cent. and winning one scholarship. In the Middle Department out of the four open scholarships available for the whole district we won two, and we won two more in the Primary Department as well.

With these brialliant records of success in secular instruction, religious instruction has by no means been ignored; rather, it has been attended to with redoubled zeal, and we honestly believe, that our success in one branch is primarily due to the purity of thought resultant from devoted attention to the other branch. We have regular Bible readngs and even if certain metaphysical dogmas of Christianity may not be acceptable to certain minds yet these lessons never fail to impress us with the spirit of Christianity—the spirit of love, sympathy and selfsacrifice.

The scout movement which was introduced in November, last year, is doing splendid work to introduce a spirit of social service and service to the cause of our Motherland.

The school has introduced vocational training in the form of Clerical, Commercial and Industrial Classes, and Industrial Chemistry too is receiving its due share of attention. Certain chemicals have been prepared by the boys and they are presented for show. The school has a musical band and is perhaps the only intitition where music forms part of the school curriculum.

The school has an organ of its own, known as the 'Punjab School boy' and boys' own contributions are published therein.

This gigantic task of elevating the Rang Mahal School to the height of glory has been accomplished by Mr. K. L. Rallia Ram M. L. C. our worthy principal.

His school work and public activities as a member of the Punjab Legislative Council and Vice-President of the Lahore Municipal Board are chronicled by the public press, and the school has acquired celebrity from associotion with his illustrious personality and honoured name.

We pray that you would graciously be pleased to accept this litt'e token of our affection and gratitude to remind you of us and your visit to Lahore

Wishing you a long and usefu life, a happy stay in our country and a safe return home.

We are,
SIR,

Your friends,

THE STUDENTS AND STAFF,

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SCHOOL MOTTO:—

SIT LUX "LET THERE BE LIGHT."

Sir,

WE most respectfully extend to you, a representative of the most free and independent people on this earth a cordial welcome to this famous land of five rivers and especially to this Institution, the oldest in the Province. We welcome you first, because you are a guest, and guest is an honoured name; secondly because you are a famous and a good man and thirdly because you represent the Mission from which we have received so many benefits.

It was in the year 1846, sevety-five years ago, when this School was founded by your Mission, the pioneer of education in this Province. It was three years after the establishment of this school that Punjab was annexed to the British territory after the last Sikh War. The School during its long career of usefulness has passed through many a difficulty but stands to day one of the best in the Province. Thousands of youths have passed through this school and filled eminent positions in the Province and some of the lads of the third generation are to-day to be found here. It may not be out ot place to mention that Jullundur is also the place where the first Girls School was founded and you will be interested and pleased to know that Jullundur leads the Province in Female education and is most liberal in giving women, our equal halves, their freedom, their rights and their legitimate place in society.

Your schools were founded primarily for religious instruction and for the propagation of the Christian Faith. Judged from the standard that the goal of Missionary enterprise is to add as many converts to the Church as possible, it appears that their efforts have failed, at least in the educational institutions. We who belong to other religions find it hard to accept certain metaphysical dogmas of Christianity. But after all what should be the object of Missionary effort? Is it the spreading of the Spirit of Christ or is it the spreading of the dogmas of Christianity. The love, sympathy and in many cases the self-sacrifice of the teachers, and the daily reading of the teachings of Christ from the Bible never fail to introduce the essential spirit of Christianity into the mind of even the dullest student.

Sir, we shall feel grateful if you will please, on your return to America, tell those good people who at a great self-sacrifice and with the fire of love and sympathy burning in their hearts, have spent large sums of money, that their efforts and prayers have not been in vain and that the tree they had planted in India is bearing fruit now in the form of absence of slave-mentality among the youths of the land, in the form of higher ideals of truthfulness and integrity; of love and sympathy; of equality and freedom; of non-Violence and self-sacrifice and above all of the realization of the true value of Manhood. Our thanks are also due to those good missionaries of yours who have set good examples before us.

We believe, Sir, you would kindly accept this little token of our affection and gratitude to remind you of us and of your visit to Jullundur.

Wishing you a long and useful life, a happy stay in our country and a safe return to your motherland.

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